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Bassano Honors Departing Citizens

The approaching departure of Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Findlay has been made the occasion of several very pleasant gatherings during the past week, all of which have been held for the purpose of showing the high regard which their many friends entertain for them and the regret felt generally at their departure.

On Monday evening Mr. Findlay was presented with a handsome mantle clock by the staff of the Bank of Commerce, and later in the evening a surprise party gathered at their residence during the course of which Mrs. Findlay was presented with a gift of cut glass by her many lady friends.

On Tuesday the Masons presented their departing member with a Master Masons Apron as a mark of their appreciation.

The customers of the Bank of Commerce will feel Mr. Findlay's departure keenly for his work as manager during the somewhat critical times of the past few years has won for him the regard and confidence of all.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Findlay have been earnest and consistent workers for the many patriotic causes which have needed support in the town; Mrs. Findlay having been an enthusiastic executive member of the Red Cross for three years, Mr. Findlay taking over the treasurer-ship of the organization last year.

The many evidences of good will they have received this week testify to the popularity which they have justly earned for themselves during their residence of nearly four years in Bassano.

They carry with them to their new home in Queson Sound, Ont.,

TOWN COUNCIL

A regular meeting of the Council was held on Monday, May 19th.

Present: His Worship, the Mayor Deputy Mayor McKee, Councillors Skeritt, Stiles and Allan.

The minutes of last regular meeting and of special meeting of 12th inst., were read and confirmed.

Councillor Skeritt enquired as to whether or not the new water meter had been installed at the service to the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. His Worship replied.

Moved by the Deputy Mayor, Seconded by Councillor Allan, that the resignation of J. S. Mavor as the representative of the Town of Bassano on the District Hospital Board, and that said Board be so notified. Carried.

Moved by the Deputy Mayor, Seconded by Councillor Allan, that Arthur L. Seale be appointed the representative of the Town of Bassano on the District Hospital Board, and that said Board be so notified. Carried.

Moved by Councillor Skeritt, Seconded by Councillor Allan, that permission be granted to S. Leonard and H. Bieber to fence in the pipe line running across the property rented by them on Section 18, Township 21, Range 18 on the terms set forth in their letter of May 19th, 1919. Carried.

Moved by Councillor Stiles, Seconded by Councillor Skeritt, that the question of supplying lightning arresters for the power line be referred to the Waterworks Committee with power to act. Carried.

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the best wishes of the whole town for their future success and happiness.

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There seems to be great danger that Canada will be plunged into the vortex of an industrial revolution just at the moment when the best brains of manufacturers and workers should have been brought together in order that Canada might successfully bridge the space between war and peace called the reconstruction period.

But unfortunately our workers are being led by the nose by the agitator and socialist stumper, and the better reason and common sense of the majority has been stamped by the misrepresentations of those whose only occupation is to agitate.

As the matter stands to-day it would be a safe bet to wager that not five per cent of the workers who are out on strike know what they are really striking for.

We want to see the workers get what is coming to them, but just now would like to know just what it is they want.

Seems to us that this is another case of getting together—the employers and employees—with the agitator outside the door.

One often hears the remark "Bassano is dead, and, argue as we might, it must be confessed that Bassano has been so long in a state of coma, that her condition might truthfully be described as moribund."

We need so many things that it is hard to choose which is the more important, but there is one thing which should be taken up without delay and that is the erection of a Public Hall. If, as seems to be the case, this cannot be secured through private enterprise, then there is nothing else for it but to start upon a community hall.

The Agricultural Society, the U.F.A., the Great War Veterans, the embryo Choral Society and Orchestra, the hundred and one social events which are given, or which could be given demand such an accommodation, and yet the prevailing spirit is "Let George do it."

Let us get together in some sort of community organisation for while we are as we are Bassano will stay just as it is to-day.

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Provisions of Wild Lands Tax Act Modified By Recent Amendments

At the last Session of the Provincial Legislature, the Wild Lands Tax Act was amended by legislation introduced by the Minister of Municipal Affairs under whose direction this Act is administered.

One of the outstanding features of these amendments is the widening of the provisions under which exemption from the tax might be secured. As the Act has been in force during the past four years, all cultivation or pasturage of land whereby exemption might be secured, was required to take place during the year previous to that in which the tax was levied. This being the case, the purchase of land from the Dominion Government or from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, who made his purchase in the fall of the year, had no opportunity to claim exemption from the Wild Lands Tax in the following year. This was unfair as the purchaser is entitled to no control of the land during the previous year, and was thus penalized because of a condition of affairs beyond his control. The Act as it now stands, provides that exemption may be granted if the purchaser takes possession prior to the first day of August of the year in which the tax is levied, or if the land is purchased for two months prior to the first day of July of the year in which the tax is levied. The amount of cultivation, and the number of head of stock pastured, is left as it was; namely, one quarter of the land must be cultivated, and there must be stock in the proportion of one head of cattle or horses, or three sheep, in every ten acres, and such land may be any place within a radius of nine miles from his place of residence.

During past years, the administration of the Wild Lands Tax Act has been criticized on account of the fact that lands were sometimes assessed under this Act that were really exempt from such tax. Because of the large areas given to such assessors to cover, this was unavoidable as it was impossible for him to see all of the land in his district and, in addition, to depend for much of his information on hearsay evidence from parties in the community. This led to a good deal of misunderstanding, and many mistakes were made. This condition of affairs, was, of course, very unsatisfactory, and now measures have been taken whereby, commencing with the current year, all land taxes under this Act will be actually seen by the person responsible for the assessment.

In the organized portions of the Province; that is, in the Municipal District, this tax will be levied by the Municipal District, and it will be possible for the official levying the taxes for the District, to obtain exact information as to what lands in the District are subject from taxation being omitted from the tax roll.

In the unorganized portions of the Province, the staff of assessors employed by the Department has been increased and each assessor must see all the land in his district, and no hearsay evidence will be taken. This will insure a proper assessment in the unorganized territory as well as in the organized territory and it will do away with the possibility of a man being assessed for land which he is cultivating or on which he has probably made his home for a number of years.

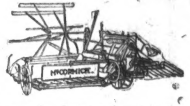
The passing of the Wild Lands Tax Amendment in the hands of the Municipal District will also tend to better service to other maps; that is, all taxes on lands in Municipal Districts, with the exception of School Taxes in some cases, will now be payable to the one official; that is to the necessary transfer of the municipal assessor. There will now only be one Tax Roll, and only one Tax Notice and one Tax Receipt will be necessary. A party who owns land in a Municipal District will not receive any Tax Notice from the Department of Municipal Affairs. He will only receive one Tax Notice from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal District in which his land is situated, and this Notice will show all the taxes payable by him, and a clear receipt from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Municipal District will be evidence that all his taxes have been paid. Where School Taxes are still levied by the School District, the landowner will, of course, receive a Tax Notice from the School District in addition to that from the Municipal District. It is to be hoped that ere long all School Taxes will be levied by the Municipality, and that in all Municipal Districts, only one assessment and tax roll will be necessary.

As far as the unorganized portions of the province are concerned, that is, in the Improvements District, all taxes levied on land by the Provincial Government will be shown on one Tax Notice in place of two or three as in the past, and the receipt of payment will be acknowledged on one tax receipt form, and all such tax notices and tax receipts will give full particulars as to the amount of the different taxes levied against the land.



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SAM YEE - PROPRIETOR

Local and Personal.

Service will be held at the Anglican Church on Sunday at 7.30 p.m.
 Burial: On Sunday, last to Mr. and Mrs. Sambrook, a daughter.

Ed. Purcell was a visitor to town on Tuesday.

Mrs. C. Klock from Husker is spending a few days with her daughter at Sunnyside Ranch.

Mr. and Mrs. Dilly of Calgary were guests of Mrs. Patten on Empire Day.

Don't miss the big Auction Sale on Saturday, for there's bound to be lots of snags in real good furniture and furnishings. There's old store, at 2 p.m.

After the concert last night Mr. and Mrs. Grossmith were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bolton.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Maurer of Seven Persons spent the holidays at the home of Mr. Maurer's parents, at Sunnyside Ranch.

A large party of Bassano people took in the Tennis Club Dance at Gleichen on Friday last, all reporting a very syncretized time.

A general change in train service is announced to take effect on Sun. day. June 1st for details of which see announcement on inside page.

M. R. Milroy was a visitor to Calgary over the week end returning on Monday with a new Studebaker.

Pte. Minto, who left Bassano with the 137th Batt., returned this week. He had several very narrow escapes while at the front and is still suffering from shell shock.

There are many little articles of furniture you used to complete your home, and you will find the sale which is being held at Pierce's old store on Saturday afternoon just the place to buy them and at your own price.

Billy Tegedine spent a very profitable afternoon at the river on Empire Day, landing no less than seven large pike, while Mrs. Tegedine ran him close with a total catch of four. Some team work.

Owing to the strike our Baseball reporter has been unable to prepare his report of the games played by the Bear-Cats against the Calgary Cubs. The B.C.'s lost out in both games 6-4 and 4-7, but at that were more unlucky than inferior.

The elder girls of the School evidently believe in Proverbs for we notice they have helped themselves to some good recreation by fixing up the Basket Ball posts. They deserve to be, at least, encouraged if not helped to further healthy recreations.

Come to think about it very little is being done in the way of recreation for our School children, mainly we suppose for lack of funds and yet we overheard the remark the other day "What does the school want physical apparatus for?" But Principal Smith and his staff are to be commended for trying to provide the school with equipment which should have been provided for them.

B. H. Bunney sold one of the finest teams of Percheron mares which has ever been shipped out of this district. The purchasers were The Alberta Ice Co. of Calgary. The same day Mr. Bunney sold a carload of horses to Mr. Lewis, also of Calgary.

Manager Torgan announces "Business as usual during the strike" at the Gem. He will bring down a weeks supply of films by auto, and he assures his patrons they will all be tip-toppers as he will be able to have his pick from the hundreds which are laying in Calgary to-day.

The Bassano "Cubs" journeyed to Gleichen on Saturday and played against the Junior Baseball team of that town. The boys put up a great fight, but lost out eventually in one run. Several people who witnessed the game assure us that the boys are not only game but well worth supporting and developing.

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 playing and convulsed them with
 unrestrained amusement by his
 genius as a comedian.

His interpretations of the classics
 of Mendelssohn and Chopin were
 sandwiched between characteriza-
 tions of the London Bobly and the
 ubiquitous Coster, garnished with
 exceptionally humorous monologues
 and the whole program afforded a
 feast such as Bassano has seldom
 been offered.

We are glad to be able to an-
 nounce that Mr. Grossmith has
 promised to give us a return en-
 gagement later in the season.

The Public School, is to be con-
 gratulated upon being the medium
 through which such an enjoyable
 and successful event was secured
 for the town and is deserving of
 greater support in the objects to
 which its proportion of the pro-
 ceeds is to be devoted, namely the
 purchase of physical equipment.

It was a great disappointment to the
 War Veterans when they found so few
 people sufficiently interested in the work
 and objects of their association to attend
 the meeting on Saturday last, which was
 held for the sole purpose of acquainting
 people with the real objects of the
 Association.

Those who attended were well reward-
 ed by the interesting addresses delivered,
 and it is to be hoped that greater knowl-
 edge of the objects will create more
 sympathy in the working of the
 Association.

The regular meeting of the branch was
 held on Sunday when the most important
 business transacted was the elect of a
 number of officers and the appointment of a
 delegate to the Convention shortly to be
 held at Vancouver. Comrades Mac-
 donald and Hishop were elected President
 and Secretary respectively and the latter
 was appointed delegate to the Con-
 vention.

Bassano welcomes three of its
 real old-timers back from France
 in the persons of Tom Burdette,
 Dick Garland and Billy Cameron.
 These were among the first to enlist
 for service and each has a bunch of
 interesting stories to relate,
 especially the latter one of which
 concerns a foraging party in which
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